


BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2000-588-W - ORDER NO. 2001-1030
OCTOBER 25, 2001

IN RE: Application of Piedmont Water Co., Inc. for) ORDER APPROVING
Approval to Consolidate Eagle Point Water) EXTENSION 
Co., Inc. and Piney Grove Utilities, Inc.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Piedmont Water Co., Inc. (Piedmont) for approval of an extension of time to file for the establishment of rates and service area for Tikton Hall Water Company (Tikton Hall) in Jasper County, South Carolina. By Commission Order No. 2001-761, the Commission approved the application of Piedmont to consolidate the stock of Eagle Point Water Company, Inc. (Eagle Point), and Piney Grove Utilities, Inc. (Piney Grove) with Piedmont. The approval was contingent upon Piedmont meeting the conditions set forth by the Commission in Order No. 2001-761.

The Commission expressed concern that there had never been an establishment case for the Tikton Hall water system; therefore, Order No. 2001-761 provided that Piedmont, within thirty days after receipt of the Order, must file an establishment case for establishment of rates and charges for Tikton Hall.

Piedmont filed a request for an extension of time to establish a rate case for Tikton Hall with the Commission October 11, 2001. According to Piedmont, the establishment case is presently being updated, and a response of the status of the case is

forthcoming. Piedmont further provided that the Tikton Hall water system was abandoned by its previous owners and that there are real estate issues that should be settled before submitting the rate establishment package to the Commission, and thus respectfully requests that an extension for filing be granted.

Accordingly, we approve the extension, and order that Piedmont, within thirty (30) days after receipt of this Order, file an establishment case for rates and charges for the Tikton Hall water system.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)